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AND UK RESOLUTION

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1. SCICOUNS VISITED OTSUKA (MOFA) TO BRING NUCLEAR
SUPPLIER'S CONFERENCE PRESS GUIDANCE TO ATTENTION
OF GOJ AND TO OBTAIN GOJ VIEWS ON POINTS RAISED PARA
3 REFTEL A. OTSUKA STATED HE SAW NOTHING CONTRA-
DICTORY IN GUIDANCE TO UNDERSTANDINGS REACHED IN
SUPPLIERS' MEETINGS, AND FOUND GUIDANCE A USEFUL
STATEMENT FOR BACKGROUND. HE STRESSED THAT HE HOPED
US WOULD NOT VOLUNTEER SUCH DETAILED INFORMATION AND
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CERTAINLY NOT CONSIDER PUBLICATION OF SAME.

2. RE: HANDLING OF QUESTIONS CONCERNING SUPPLIERS' CONFERENCE IN JAPANESE DIET, OTSUKA BRIEFLY DESCRIBED GOJ'S QUOTE TWO LINES OF DEFENSE UNQUOTE. SHOULD QUESTIONS BE RAISED, GOVERNMENT SPOKESMEN WILL FIRST RESPOND WITH GENERAL STATEMENT THAT TALKS HAVE TAKEN PLACE WITH LIKE MINDED PARTIES BUT WILL GIVE NO SPECIFICS AS TO PARTIES, DATES, ETC. IF PRESSED, GOJ WILL SAY THAT IT HAS NOT ENTERED INTO ANY FORMAL AGREEMENTS OR TREATIES. SECOND LINE OF DEFENSE PRESENTLY BEING PREPARED WILL CITE AS EXAMPLES CERTAIN PRINCIPLES ARRIVED AT BY SUPPLIER COUNTRIES. OTSUKA MENTIONED SPECIFICALLY FIRST FOUR PRINCIPLES LISTED REFTEL B, PARA. B: I.E., REQUIREMENT FOR IAEA SAFE-GUARDS, PROHIBITION ON USE OF NUCLEAR EXPLOSIVES, REQUIREMENT FOR ADEQUATE PHYSICAL SECURITY, AND ASSURANCES ON RETRANSFER. OTSUKA STRESSED THAT GOJ WILL ATTEMPT TO DIFFUSE NATURE OF SUPPLIER TALKS, IF SUCH QUESTION IS RAISED, SO AS NOT TO GIVE IMPRESSION THAT SUPPLY QUESTIONS DISCUSSED ONLY WITH PARTIES AT LONDON TALKS.

3. RE POSSIBILITY THAT SUPPLIER ACCORD MAY BE RAISED IN CONTENTIOUS MANNER AT FEBRUARY BG MEETING, OTSUKA AGREED THAT IT WOULD BE USEFUL FOR REPRESENTATIVES IN VIENNA TO CONSULT IN ADVANCE OF MEETING ON PREPARATION OF MUTUALLY SATISFACTORY RESPONSE. HE STATED THAT JAPANESE RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVE WOULD BE INSTRUCTED TO TAKE POSITIVE PART IN SUCH CONSULTATIONS IF APPROACHED. FYI: DUE TO FACT THAT DIET HAS BEGUN DELIBERATIONS ON NPT RATIFICATION, MOFA ALMOST CERTAINLY WILL NOT SEND DELEGATION TO VENNA FOR BG MEETING. END FYI:

4. RE BRIEFING DG IN CONFIDENCE ON GUIDELINES PAPER, OTSUKA NOTED THAT QUOTE ABOUT TEN DAYS AGO UNQUOTE, DG HIMSELF RAISED POSSIBILITY WITH JAPANESE AMBASSADOR OF MAKING A COMPLIMENTARY REFERENCE TO SUPPLIERS' UNDERSTANDINGS AT BG MEETING. AMBASSADOR REACTED NEGATIVELY TO SUGGESTION, WITHOUT SEEKING INSTRUCTIONS FROM TOKYO, BUT HIS POSITION FULLY SUPPORTED BY MOFA. HOWEVER, CONFIDENTIAL

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OTSUKA BELIEVES CONFIDENTIAL APPROACH TO DG WOULD BE USEFUL AND SUGGESTED UK REPRESENTATIVE MIGHT SERVE AS SPOKESMAN FOR SUPPLIERS. OTSUKA URGED THAT DG BE STRONGLY DISCOURAGED FROM RAISING SUBJECT HIMSELF AT BG MEETING.

5. FRENCH DELIVERY OF NOTE TO GOJ: AS ASIDE TO DISCUSSION ON SUPPLIERS' CONFERENCE OTSUKA MENTIONED THAT REASON WHY

ETO OF UN BUREAU SCIENTIFIC AFFAIRS DIVISION HAD NOT BEEN PRESENT AT MEETINGS IN TOKYO WITH BENGELSDORF, VAN DOREN, AND HELFRICH WAS THAT HE HAD BEEN COMPLETELY ABSORBED WITH FRENCH IN A CONFRONTATION OVER THE NATURE OF THE NOTE VERBALES EXCHANGED ON SUPPLIERS AGREEMENT. OTSUKA DID NOT ELABORATE ON NATURE OF CONTROVERSY.

6. CONCERNING GOJ POSITION ON BRITISH SAFEGUARDS RESOLUTION, OTSUKA STATED THAT JAPAN WOULD NOT BE IN A POSITION TO CO-SPONSOR, BUT WOULD MOST LIKELY BE ABLE TO VOTE FOR IT, IF THE RESOLUTION COMES TO A VOTA--A PROSPECT HE CONSIDERS RATHER DOUBTFUL. HE NOTED THAT MITI IN PARTICULAR WAS HOLDING BACK ON SUPPORT OF BRITISH RESOLUTION. HE ALSO SPECULATED THAT NEITHER SOVIETS NOR FRENCH WOULD BE WILLING TO CO-SPONSOR RESOLUTION, AND HE OPINED THAT IT WOULD NOT BE GOOD IDEA FOR ALL SUPPLIER NATIONS TO BE CO-SPONSORS, SINCE THIS WOULD HURT GOJ CHANCES FOR RATIFICATION OF NPT AND WOULD INCREASE POTENTIAL FOR ADVERSE REACTION TO SUPPLIERS CONFERENCE AMONG NOT-NPT BOARD MEMBERS. FYI: MUCH OF THIS PART OF CONVERSATION DUPLICATED OTSUKA'S DISCUSSION WITH GEORGE VEST, PM, REPORTED SEPTEL (NOTAL).

7. OTSUKA ALSO INFORMED US IN CONFIDENCE THAT HE HAD BEEN VISITED FEW DAYS AGO BY ITALIAN EMBASSY MINISTER-COUNSELOR FULCI, WHO WAS APPARENTLY ACTING ON INSTRUCTIONS FROM ROME. ITALIANS WERE CONCERNED ABOUT UK RESOLUTION BEING AN INFORMAL AMENDMENT OF NPT IN THAT IT WOULD PLACE ALL NUCLEAR ACTIVITIES OF A COUNTRY UNDER IAEA SAFEGUARDS WHEREAS NPT SAFEGUARDS ARE LIMITED TO ALL NON-MILITARY NUCLEAR ACTIVITIES. OTSUKA WENT ON TO SAY THAT HE PATIENTLY AND CAREFULLY

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LECTURED FULCI ON DIFFERENCE BETWEEN OBLIGATIONS OF NPT AND NOT-NPT STATES AS REFLECTED IN TREATY AND IN UK RESOLUTION. HE WAS VISIBLY DISTRESSED THAT ITALIANS HAD MISSED THE POINT OF UK RESOLUTION.

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